Table RD-3
U.S. R&D expenditures, by performing sector, source of funds, and type of R&D: 2019
(Millions of dollars)

| Performing sector and type of R&D | Total   | Business | Federal<br>government | Nonfederal<br>government | Higher education | Nonprofit organizations | Percent by performer |
|-----------------------------------|---------|----------|-----------------------|--------------------------|------------------|-------------------------|----------------------|
| R&D                               | 666,875 | 481,799  | 133,807               | 4,929                    | 21,562           | 24,778                  | 100.0                |
| Business                          | 498,175 | 474,442  | 22,653                | 169                      | **               | 911                     | 74.7                 |
| Federal government                | 62,802  | 179      | 62,408                | 49                       | **               | 166                     | 9.4                  |
| Federal intramural                | 39,870  | 0        | 39,870                | 0                        | 0                | 0                       | 6.0                  |
| FFRDCs                            | 22,932  | 179      | 22,538                | 49                       | **               | 166                     | 3.4                  |
| Nonfederal government             | 675     | 23       | 290                   | 347                      | 4                | 12                      | 0.1                  |
| Higher education                  | 78,176  | 4,808    | 39,556                | 4,364                    | 21,559           | 7,889                   | 11.7                 |
| Nonprofit organizations           | 27,048  | 2,347    | 8,900                 | ***                      | ***              | 15,800                  | 4.1                  |
| Percent by funding source         | 100.0   | 72.2     | 20.1                  | 0.7                      | 3.2              | 3.7                     | -                    |
| Basic research                    | 102,874 | 33,745   | 42,199                | 2,618                    | 13,594           | 10,719                  | 100.0                |
| Business                          | 32,582  | 30,132   | 2,349                 | 15                       | **               | 86                      | 31.7                 |
| Federal government                | 11,932  | 36       | 11,853                | 10                       | **               | 33                      | 11.6                 |
| Federal intramural                | 7,352   | 0        | 7,352                 | 0                        | 0                | 0                       | 7.1                  |
| FFRDCs                            | 4,580   | 36       | 4,501                 | 10                       | **               | 33                      | 4.5                  |
| Nonfederal government             | 120     | 4        | 52                    | 62                       | 1                | 2                       | 0.1                  |
| Higher education                  | 49,126  | 2,729    | 25,358                | 2,531                    | 13,594           | 4,916                   | 47.8                 |
| Nonprofit organizations           | 9,113   | 844      | 2,588                 | ***                      | ***              | 5,681                   | 8.9                  |
| Percent by funding source         | 100.0   | 32.8     | 41.0                  | 2.5                      | 13.2             | 10.4                    | -                    |
| Applied research                  | 132,021 | 73,277   | 41,849                | 1,675                    | 5,766            | 9,454                   | 100.0                |
| Business                          | 76,176  | 70,679   | 5,246                 | 42                       | **               | 209                     | 57.7                 |
| Federal government                | 20,522  | 83       | 20,339                | 23                       | **               | 77                      | 15.5                 |
| Federal intramural                | 11,264  | 0        | 11,264                | 0                        | 0                | 0                       | 8.5                  |
| FFRDCs                            | 9,258   | 83       | 9,075                 | 23                       | **               | 77                      | 7.0                  |
| Nonfederal government             | 524     | 18       | 225                   | 269                      | 3                | 9                       | 0.4                  |
| Higher education                  | 21,793  | 1,449    | 11,144                | 1,341                    | 5,763            | 2,097                   | 16.5                 |
| Nonprofit organizations           | 13,006  | 1,049    | 4,895                 | ***                      | ***              | 7,062                   | 9.9                  |
| Percent by funding source         | 100.0   | 55.5     | 31.7                  | 1.3                      | 4.4              | 7.2                     | -                    |
| Experimental development          | 431,980 | 374,777  | 49,758                | 636                      | 2,202            | 4,607                   | 100.0                |
| Business                          | 389,418 | 373,631  | 15,058                | 112                      | **               | 617                     | 90.1                 |
| Federal government                | 30,347  | 60       | 30,215                | 17                       | **               | 56                      | 7.0                  |
| Federal intramural                | 21,253  | 0        | 21,253                | 0                        | 0                | 0                       | 4.9                  |
| FFRDCs                            | 9,093   | 60       | 8,962                 | 17                       | **               | 56                      | 2.1                  |
| Nonfederal government             | 31      | 1        | 13                    | 16                       | *                | 1                       | 0.0                  |
| Higher education                  | 7,257   | 631      | 3,055                 | 492                      | 2,202            | 877                     | 1.7                  |
| Nonprofit organizations           | 4,928   | 454      | 1,417                 | ***                      | ***              | 3,057                   | 1.1                  |
| Percent by funding source         | 100.0   | 86.8     | 11.5                  | 0.1                      | 0.5              | 1.1                     | -                    |

<sup>\* =</sup> amount < \$0.5 million; \*\* = small to negligible amount, included as part of the funding provided by nonprofit organizations; \*\*\* = small to negligible amount, included as part of the funding provided by other sectors.

FFRDC = federally funded research and development center.

## Note(s):

Some components of R&D performance and funding by nonprofit organizations are estimated and may later be revised.

## Source(s)

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